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Victory Gardeners' Seed and Plant Guide

Seed and Plant Requirements for a Victory Garden For a Family of Four

The quantities of seeds and plants recommended should be ample to plant the number of feet of row necessary to fulfill the needs of a family of four adults and should provide plenty for canning, storing or preserving by other methods as well as for fresh use during the summer.

Some crops supplement others. For instance, if pole beans are grown, reduce quantity of bush beans accordingly.

The amount of each crop to be grown, canned or stored should be modified by the family's likes or dislikes. The quantities recommended for canning or storing in most cases represent maximum quantities needed.

Where two or more plantings are recommended for any crop, the figures given indicate the total for all plantings.

Parts of packages are indicated in some instances where only a few plants are required. This is done to emphasize the fact that the entire packet need not be planted at one time.

There are many good varieties offered by seed dealers in addition to those suggested below, however many varieties are not well adapted to Michigan's climatic conditions. The following list includes only varieties that have proven to be satisfactory in Michigan, yet in the northern counties some of these may require too long a growing season to be satisfactory. There only the earliest varieties of tomatoes, corn, melons, lima beans, and peppers should be attempted.

Numbers in parentheses indicate the approximate number of days to maturity, which will aid you in deciding which varieties to select.

Crop	Recommended Varieties	Seed or Plants Required	Feet of Row Recommended	Approximate Production	Can or Store
Beans (Green-Early)	Tendergreen (54) Stringless Greenpod (53) Plentiful (51)	1/2 lb.	60-80 ft.	3 1/4-11 1/4 bu.	10-15 pts., 2 lbs. dry
Beans (Green-Late)	Stringless Refugee (68)	1/2 lb.	60-80 ft.	3 1/4-11 1/4 bu.	10-15 pts., 2 lbs. dry
Beans (Wax)	Pencil Pod (52) Kidney Wax (52) Golden Wax (48)	1/2 lb.	60-80 ft.	3 1/4-11 1/4 bu.	10 pts., 2 lbs. dry
Beans (Pole)	Kentucky Wonder (65)	1/4 lb.	50-75 ft.	1 1/2-3 1/4 bu.	10-15 pts.
Beans (Lima)	Henderson Bush (65) Fordhook (78)	3/4-1 lb.	125-200 ft.	8-12 lbs.	15-20 pts.
Beans (Soy)	Bansei (90) Giant Green (95)	1/2 lb.	50-75 ft.	8-12 lbs.	15 lbs.
Beets (Early)	Early Wonder (50) Crosby Egyptian (50)	1/2 oz.	25-40 ft.	1 1/2-3 1/4 bu.	
Beets (Late)	Detroit Dark Red (55)	1 oz.	50-85 ft.	1-2 bu.	3 1/4-13 1/4 bu.
Broccoli	Italian Green Sprouting (70)	(1/2 pkt.) 30 pl.	60 ft.	30-40 lbs.	15-20 pts.
Brussels Sprouts	Catskill (90) Long Island Improved (90)	(1/2 pkt.) 30 pl.	50 ft.	15-20 qts.	
Cabbage (Early and Midseason)	Golden Acre (65) Early Jersey Wakefield (60) Copenhagen Market (70) Glory of Enkhuizen (75)	(1/3 pkt.) 24 pl.	50 ft.	20-24 hds.	Kraut 8-12 hds.
Cabbage (Late)	Hollander (90) Penn State Ballhead (100) Savoy (90)	(1/2 pkt.) 36 pl.	75 ft.	32-36 hds.	25-30 hds.
Carrots (Early)	Chantenay (70) Nantes (70)	1/4 oz.	40 ft.	1 1/2-3 1/4 bu.	
Carrots (Late)	Danvers Half Long (75) Imperator (77)	1/2 oz.	100-125 ft.	2-2 1/2 bu.	2-2 1/4 bu.
Cauliflower (Early)	Early Snowball (52)	(1/4 pkt.) 12 pl.	20-25 ft.	9 hds.	
Cauliflower (Late)	Snowdrift (60)	(1/2 pkt.) 24 pl.	50 ft.	20 hds.	Freeze or can-15 hds.
Celery (Early)	Easy Blanching (85) Sumner Pascal	(1/4 pkt.) 30 pl.	15 ft.	30 stalks	
Celery (Late)	Utah (100)	(1/2 pkt.) 60 pl.	30 ft.	60 stalks	45 stalks
Chard	Rhubarb	1 pkt.	35 ft.	30 lbs.	10 pts.
Corn (Early)	Marcross (69) North Star (65)	1/2 lb.	100 ft.	70-100 ears	10 pts.
Corn (Midseason)	Bancross (75) Golden Bantam (78)	1/2 lb.	100 ft.	70-100 ears	10 pts.
Corn (Late)	Lincoln (79) Golden Cross Bantam (85)	1 lb.	200 ft.	140-200 ears	20 pts.
Cucumbers (Slicing) (Pickling)	Charlevoix (82) Ioana (86)				
Eggplant	Straight (65) A & C (68)	1/4 oz.	40 ft.	3/4 bu.	
Endive	National Pickling (50)	1 pkt.	40 ft.	3/4 bu.	
Kale	Black Beauty (80)	(1/4 pkt.) 6-8 pl.	15-20 ft.	20-25 frts.	
Kohlrabi (2 plantings)	New Hampshire Hybrid	1 pkt.	20-30 ft.	20-30 heads	
Leaf Lettuce (3 plantings)	Green Curled (95)				
Head Lettuce (3 plantings)	Full Heart Batavian (90)				
Muskmelons	Dwarf Blue Curled (55)				
Onions (Seed) or	Dwarf Green Curled (55)				
Onion Plants	Early White Vienna (60)				
Onions (Sets) (2-3 plantings)	Grand Rapids (35)	1/2 pkt.	25 ft.	25 lbs.	
Parsley	Black Seeded Simpson (35)	1 pkt.	40 ft.	20-25 lbs.	
Parsnips	Oakleaf (40)				
Peas (Early)	Great Lakes (88)	(2 pkt.) 48 pl.	75 ft.	40 heads	
(Midseason)	Imperial 44 (82)				
(Late)	Imperial 847 (83)				
Peppers (Sweet)	Honey Rock (85)	1/2 oz.	60-100 ft.	60-80 fruits	
Potatoes	Hearts O' Gold (100)				
Pumpkins	Brigham Yellow Globe (110)	1/2-3/4 oz.	100-150 ft.	1 1/2-2 1/4 bu.	1 1/4-2 bu.
Radishes (Each planting)	Sweet Spanish (110)	200-300 pl.	100-150 ft.	1 1/2-2 1/4 bu.	1 1/4-2 bu.
Rutabagas	Yellow	1/2-1 lb.	25-30 ft.		
Salsify	White				
Spinach (2 plantings)	Moss Curled (70)	1/2 pkt.	5 ft.		
Summer Squash	Paramount (85)				
Winter Squash	Hollow Crown (100)	1/2 oz.	50 ft.	1 bu.	1 bu.
Tomatoes (Early)	Model (100)				
(Midseason)	Thos. Laxton (57)	3-3 1/2 lbs.	300-350 ft.	3-3 1/2 bu.	20-28 pts.
(Late)	World's Record (55)				
Turnips	Laxton's Progress (62)				
	Little Marvel (64)				
	Alderman (75)				
	Morse Market (70)				
	Dwarf Telephone (76)				
	Oakview Wonder (70)	(1/2 pkt.) 10-15 pl.	20-30 ft.	100-180 frts.	
	King of the North (64)				
	California Wonder (74)				
	Harris Earliest (60)				
	Long Red Cayenne (70)				
	Red Chili (75)				
	Chippewa	3-5 pecks	500-700 ft.	8-14 bu.	7-11 bu.
	Pontiac				
	Russet Rural				
	New England Pie (Sugar Pie) (75)	1/4 oz.	12 hills	15-20 frts.	10-12 frts.
	Scarlet Globe (22)	1/8 oz.	10-15 ft.	10-15 bunches	
	Icicle (25)				
	Scarlet Turnip				
	White Tip (20)				
	American Purple Top				
	Mammoth Sandwich Island (100)	1/2 pkt.	50 ft.	1 bu.	1 bu.
	Long Standing Bloomsdale (45)	1 oz.	25 ft.	15-20 lb.	15-20 lbs.
	Giant Thickeaved (43)	1 oz.	80 ft.	40 lbs.	10 pts.
	Early Prolific Straightneck (55)	(1/8 oz.) 3-5 pl.	12-16 ft.	15-20 frts.	
	Zucchini (65)				
	Table Queen (60)	(1/4 oz.) 10-12 pl.	50 ft.	12-20 frts.	12 frts.
	Hubbard (110)				
	Buttercup (100)				
	Delicious (110)				
	Victor (65)	24-48 pl.	120-240 ft.	6-12 bu.	95-120 qts.
	Early Chatham (63)				
	Stokesdale (73)				
	Bonnie Best (73)				
	Rutgers (75)				
	Pritchard (80)				
	Marglobe (73)				
	Jubilee (90)				
	Purple Top	(1/4 oz.) 1/2 pkt.	50-75 ft.	1-1 1/2 bu.	1 bu.
	White Globe (57)				

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